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MODEM DEVICE USING A CAPACITIVE INSULATING BARRIER, INSULATING COUPLER AND INTEGRATED CIRCUIT USED IN THE MODEM DEVICE

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 19, lines 2, 4 and 7, delete -- insulting --, insert
-- insulating --;

delete lines 11-25 in their entirety.

Page 20, delete lines 1-8 in their entirety.

Delete text from page 61, line 6, to page 91, line 22.

## REMARKS

Entry of this amendment prior to examination is respectfully requested.

By the present amendment, portions of the specification describing Figs. 20-29 have been deleted, noting that these figures were not included with this patent application.